

2997. Adulteration and misbranding of Nature's Minerals Compound. U. S. v. 28 Vials of Nature's Minerals Compound Tablets and 24 Boxes of Nature's Minerals Compound (and 2 other seizures of similar products). Default decrees of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. Nos. 3121, 3122, 3379, 3380. Sample Nos. 26483-E, 26484-E, 35031-E, 35032-E.)

On October 4 and November 26, 1940, the United States attorneys for the Southern District of Mississippi and the District of Oregon filed libels against 28 vials of Nature's Minerals Compound Tablets and 24 boxes of Nature's Minerals Compound (in powder form) at Bay St. Louis, Miss., and 12 bottles of Nature's Minerals Compound Tablets and 21 cartons of Nature's Minerals Compounds (in powder form) at Portland, Oreg., alleging that the articles had been shipped on or about August 29 and on or about October 4, 1940, by Nature's Mineral Co. from Indianapolis, Ind.; and charging that they were adulterated and misbranded.

The articles were alleged to be adulterated in that they contained a poisonous or deleterious substance, namely, fluorine, which might have rendered them injurious to health.

They were alleged to be misbranded in that representations in the labeling [these representations are set forth in F. N. J. No. 2996] were false and misleading since they would not be efficacious for such purposes.

They also were alleged to be misbranded under the provisions of the law applicable to drugs, as reported in D. D. N. J. No. 542.

On January 7 and February 25, 1941, no claimant having appeared, judgments of condemnation were entered and the products were ordered destroyed.

2998. Adulteration of Nature's Minerals. U. S. v. 64 Bottles of Nature's Minerals Tablets and 15 Cartons and 19 Cartons of Nature's Minerals Powder. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 4819. Sample Nos. 32694-E to 32696-E, incl.)

On May 23, 1941, the United States attorney for the Southern District of California filed a libel against the above-named articles at Los Angeles, Calif., alleging that they had been shipped on or about September 19 and 26, 1940, and April 18, 1941, by Nature's Minerals Food Co. from Indianapolis, Ind.; and charging that they were adulterated.

The articles were alleged to be adulterated in that they contained a poisonous or deleterious substance, namely, fluorine, which might have rendered them injurious to health.

They also were alleged to be misbranded under the provisions of the law applicable to drugs, as reported in D. D. N. J. No. 543.

On June 17, 1941, no claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

2999. Adulteration and misbranding of Nature's Minerals. U. S. v. 40 12-Ounce Packages, 10 6-Ounce Packages, and 15 4-Ounce Packages of Nature's Minerals. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 4268. Sample Nos. 55461-E, 55462-E.)

On April 15, 1941, the United States attorney for the Western District of Washington filed a libel against the above-named product at Tacoma, Wash., alleging that it had been shipped in part by P. G. Jurich from Pasadena, Calif., on or about September 13, 1940, and January 9, 1941, and in part by Nature's Mineral Co. from Indianapolis, Ind., on or about September 17, 1940; and charging that it was adulterated and misbranded.

The article was alleged to be adulterated in that it contained a poisonous or deleterious substance, namely, fluorine, which might have rendered it injurious to health.

It was alleged to be misbranded: (1) In that the statements, "Nature's Minerals may be used as an aid in supplying in concrete form the minerals sometimes found deficient in the ordinary diet. * * * Recommended as a scientific combination of minerals capable of being utilized by the different organs of the body. * * * Best results will be obtained by placing dry on the tongue," were false and misleading. (2) In that statements on display cards representing that it would be efficacious in the treatment or prevention of cancer, colds, hardening of the arteries, diabetes, stomach, blood, kidney, and bladder trouble, colitis, rheumatism, neuritis, and gallstone, and that by its use the purchaser would enjoy